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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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**Address to:  
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P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Application Number: 09/376,063

Filing Date: August 17, 1999

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Group Art Unit: 2835

Examiner Name: M. Datskovskiy

Attorney Docket Number: OKI 226

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

**1. Submission Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

a. ☐ Previously Submitted

- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s) reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).  
ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☒ Enclosed

- i. ☐ Amendment  
ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  
iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
iv. ☒ Other Submission Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114; Information Disclosure Statement; Form PTO-1449 and 1 reference

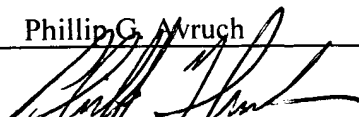
**2. Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (i) required)  
b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **FEES** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 18-0002.  
i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) **\$790.00**  
ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)  
iii. ☐ Other **\$0.00**  
b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ enclosed.  
c. ☒ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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